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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Gene Harlow Johnson et al.

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For : Method and Apparatus for Performing a Channel Search in a

Television

Examiner : Sumaiya A. Chowdhury

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir,

This Preliminary Amendments is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. The Preliminary Amendment responds to the Decision on Appeal dated March 23, 2010, for which a shortened statutory period of two months ending May 24, 2010 was set in which to respond, and submits the following amendments and comments and respectfully requests reconsideration of the claim rejections.

Please charge the fee of eight hundred and ten dollars (\$810.00) for the Request for Continued Examination to Deposit Account 07-0832. In view of the attached RCE, this response is considered timely.

**Listing/Amendments of the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.